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ROUTING OF OPTICAL BEAMS VIA
TIME-DOMAIN SPATIAL-SPECTRAL
FILTERING

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A

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Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Disclosure:

Please amend the specification to correct the following typographical errors:

In the equation on page 16, line 9, please replace each occurrence of "k" with **-k-** (boldface "k") to reflect the vector nature of the equation.

On page 29, line 14, please change "is" to --are--.

On page 34, lines 14-15, please change "a data-encoded data beam" to --an address-encoded data beam--.

On page 42, line 15, please replace " $\hat{k}_3 - \hat{k}_1$ " with $-\hat{k}_1$, \hat{k}_2 , and \hat{k}_3 --.